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2020 NEW ENGLAND FIELD CROP SUMMARY

ALL DRY HAY

Connecticut hay production is estimated at 83 thousand tons, up 2% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.80 tons, up 0.08 ton from the previous year. Harvested area, at 46 thousand acres, is down 2% from the previous year.

Maine hay production is estimated at 183 thousand tons, down 22% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.76 tons per acre, down 0.39 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 104 thousand acres, is down 5% from the previous year.

Massachusetts hay production is estimated at 106 thousand tons, down 8% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.77 tons per acre, down 0.48 ton from the previous year. Harvested area, at 60 thousand acres, is 18% above the previous year.

New Hampshire hay production is estimated at 77 thousand tons, down 7% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.83 tons per acre, up 0.14 tons per acre from the previous year. Harvested area, at 42 thousand acres, is down 14% from the previous year.

Rhode Island hay production is estimated at 8 thousand tons, up 14% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.60 tons per acre, up 14% from the previous year. Harvested area, at 5 thousand acres, remains unchanged from the previous year.

Vermont hay production is estimated at 314 thousand tons, up 5% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.88 tons per acre, up 0.02 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 167 thousand acres, is up 4% from the previous year.

ALFALFA

Connecticut alfalfa hay production is estimated at 11 thousand tons, down 15% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.90 tons per acre, unchanged from the previous year. Harvested area, at 6 thousand acres, is down 14% from the previous year.

Maine alfalfa production is estimated at 21 thousand tons, unchanged from 2019. Yield is estimated at 2.30 tons per acre, up 10% from the previous year. Harvested area, at 9 thousand acres, is down 10% from the previous year.

Massachusetts alfalfa production is estimated at 7 thousand tons, down 56% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.30 tons per acre, down 1.40 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 5 thousand acres, is down 17% from the previous year.

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New Hampshire alfalfa production is estimated at 10 thousand tons, up 67% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 2.00 tons per acre, up 0.50 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 5 thousand acres, is up 25% from the previous year.

Rhode Island alfalfa production is estimated at 2 thousand tons, unchanged from 2019. Yield is estimated at 2.00 tons per acre, down 0.20 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 1 thousand acres, is unchanged from the previous year.

Vermont alfalfa production is estimated at 29 thousand tons, down 37% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 1.70 tons per acre, down 0.60 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 17 thousand acres, is down 15% from the previous year.

MAPLE SYRUP

Maine maple syrup production is estimated at 590 thousand gallons, up 13% from 2019. Yield per tap is estimated at .299 gallons, up .032 from the previous year. The number of taps is estimated at 1.97 million, up 1% from 2019.

New Hampshire maple syrup production is estimated at 154 thousand gallons, up 4% from 2019. Yield per tap is estimated at .291 gallons, up .017 from the previous year. The number of taps is estimated at 530 thousand, down 2% from 2019.

Vermont maple syrup production is estimated at 2.22 million gallons, up 7% from 2019. Yield per tap is estimated at .361 gallons, up .016 from the previous year. The number of taps is estimated at 6.15 million, up 3% from 2019.

OAT

Maine oat production is estimated at 1.39 million bushels, down 4% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 63 bushels per acre, down 13 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 22 thousand acres, is up 16% from 2019.

BARLEY

Maine barley production is estimated at 756 thousand bushels, down 34% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 54 bushels per acre, down 28 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 14 thousand acres, is unchanged from the previous year.

POTATO

Maine potato production is estimated at 12.9 million cwt, down 23% from 2019. Yield is estimated at 255 cwt per acre, down 70 cwt from the previous year. Harvested area, at 50.5 thousand acres, is down 2% from the previous year.

For the complete "Crop Production Annual Summary" report, go to: https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/k3569432s

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